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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4 and 6-18 remain in this patent application. Original Claims 5 and 19-28 have been cancelled. Claims 1 and 6 have been amended.

Applicants file this continuation application with the exact claims 1-18 as amended in the parent application in an amendment on December 22, 2003. In that amendment, claim 5 was cancelled and claims 1 and 6 amended and a Notice of Allowance mailed for those claims and also method claims 19-28. In this present case, the method claims have been cancelled by this Preliminary Amendment and the exact claims 1-4 and 6-18 as amended in the parent application remain in this patent application.

Applicants also submit a Terminal Disclaimer to obviate any double patenting rejection over the pending parent patent application, serial no. 10/219,555, which had been allowed with the method claims 19-28 and the DC-to-DC converter claims 1-4 and 6-18, which are now included in this patent application.

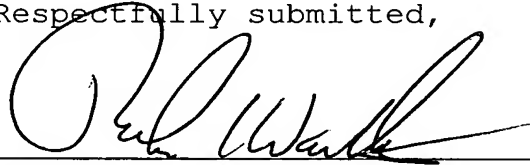
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Applicants contend that the present case is in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due.

If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions for placing this case in condition for allowance, the undersigned attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,



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